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EMBOFFS DISCUSSED PUERTO RICO ISSUE IN CONTEXT OF NAMCC MEETING WITH PERMSEC AND DIRECTOR OF POLITICAL AFFAIRS AT FOREIGN OFFICE. PERMSEC, FRANK FRANCIS, SAID THAT HE HAD BEEN CHOSEN TO HEAD JAMAICAN DELEGATION AT KABUL MEETING. BOTH HE AND DIRECTOR OF POLITICAL AFFAIRS, RONALD MANDERSON-JONES, STRESSED THAT THEY WERE WELL AWARE OF U.S. POSITION AND THAT JAMAICAN POLICY TOWARD PUERTO RICO IS SUMMED UP IN SUPPORT FOR SELF-DETERMINATION. EMBOFFS STRESSED THAT U.S. POSITION CORRESPONDS TO JAMAICA'S UNWAVERING SUPPORT FOR SELF-DETERMINATION AND IN THE CASE OF PUERTO RICO BELIEVES IT IS UP TO PUERTO RICANS AND THAT QUESTION SHOULD NOT BE PREJUDGED BY OUTSIDERS. FRANCIS SAID THAT WHILE JAMAICA'S POLICY WOULD NOT CHANGE, NON-CONFIDENTIAL

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